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AFTER-FINAL RESPONSE
ART UNIT 3625**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Hisashi Tanaka, et al. **Examiner:** Robert M. Pond
Serial No: 09/894,730 **Art Unit:** 3625
Filed: June 28, 2001 **Docket:** 14738
For: NETWORK SALES SYSTEM
WITH SETTLING SERVER AND
SELLER SERVER CONNECTED
BY THE NETWORK NOT OPEN
TO THIRD PARTY **Conf. No.:** 9866
Dated: March 14, 2005

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated December 15, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified Application be reconsidered and allowed.

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